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MEMORANDUM FOR:
FROM:
SUBJECT:

THE PRESIDENT
HENRY A. KISSINGER
INFORMATION ITEMS

EXPULSION OF SOUTH AFRICA FROM THE UNITED NATIONS: FOL-
LOWING OUR DEMARCHE ON THIS QUESTION IN PARIS, THE FRENCH
AUTHORITIES HAVE TOLD OUR EMBASSY THAT PRESIDENT Giscard
HAS SAID THERE WAS ABSOLUTELY NO QUESTION AS TO THE POSI-
TION OF FRANCE REGARDING THE EXPULSION OF SOUTH AFRICA
FROM THE UN. FRANCE WOULD DO ALL IT COULD TO PREVENT SUCH
EXPULSION AND WOULD WORK WITH US TO THAT END. FRANCE WILL
COOPERATE WITH US TO OBTAIN THE NECESSARY ABSENTIONS TO
DEFEAT EXPULSION IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL WITHOUT THE NEED
TO EXERCISE VETO POWER.

LIBYA AND FEDAYEEN TERRORIST PLOTTING: SINCE THE RECENT
EXPOSURE OF AN ARAB TERRORIST PLOT TO ASSASSINATE MODERATE
LEADERS (SADAT, HUSAYN, FAISAL, HASSAN) AT THE ARAB SUMMIT
IN RABAT LAIER THIS WEEK, EVIDENCE IS MOUNTING TO IMPLICATE
LIBYAN LEADER QADHAFI. THE VIEW IS ALSO EMERGING MORE
CLEARLY THAT ARAFAT AND HIS MODERATE FEDAYEEN IN FATAH ARE
NOT INVOLVED. THERE IS PRECEDENT IN THE HISTORY OF FEDAYEEN-
ARAB AND INTRAFEDAYEEN RELATIONS TO LEND SUPPORT TO BOTH OF
THESE CONCLUSIONS.

QADHAFI FUNDAMENTALLY OPPOSES A NEGOTIATED ARAB/ISRAELI SET-
TLEMENT. HE HAS THUS LONG EXERCISED THE OPTION OF WORKING WITH
THE FEDAYEEN RESISTANCE TO DISRUPT THE PEACE PROCESS, INCLUDING
PLOTTING AGAINST OTHER ARAB LEADERS, AND HAS ATTEMPTED TO AS-
sert LIBYAN INFLUENCE IN THE ARAB WORLD THROUGH SUCH MODALITIES
AS THE NOW MORIBUND LIBYAN/EGYPTIAN MERGER SCHEME TO WORK AGAINST
ANY ARAB SETTLEMENT WITH ISRAEL. TO THE EXTENT THAT OTHER ARABS
HAVE BECOME MORE DEEPLY INVOLVED IN THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS,
LIBYA HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY ISOLATED. THE UPCOMING ARAB SUM-
MIT IS THE NEXT MOMENT IN ARAB DECISIONMAKING ON QUESTIONS SUCH
AS THE PALESTINIANS AND THEIR RELATION TO JORDAN WHICH ARE IM-

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PORTANT TO THE PEACEMAKING PROCESS. IT IS NOT UNLIKELY THAT LIBYA WOULD WANT TO DISRUPT THIS.

THE RELATED ELEMENT IS THE SPLIT BETWEEN RADICALS AND MODERATES WITHIN THE FEDAYEEN MOVEMENT OVER THE SAME ISSUE OF A NEGOTIATED PEACE. RADICAL "REJECTIONIST FRONT" SENTIMENTS WITHIN THE FEDAYEEN MOVEMENT -- AGAINST ARAFAT'S EFFORTS TO MODERATE AND ULTIMATELY INVOLVE THESE PALESTINIANS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS -- DOVETAIL WITH LIBYAN OPPOSITION TO NEGOTIATIONS. LIBYAN COMPLICITY IN RADICAL FEDAYEEN SABOTAGE AIMED AT THE SUMMIT AND AT KEY LEADERS, PARTICULARLY KING HUSAYN, IS THUS NOT IMPROBABLE AT A TIME WHEN PALESTINIAN-JORDANIAN ACCOMMODATION IS HIGH ON THE AGENDA. AT A MINIMUM, RADICAL TERRORIST ACTS COMPLICATE AND DISCREDIT ARAFAT'S EFFORTS WITHIN THE FEDAYEEN RANKS WHILE SERVING EQUALLY TO FRUSTRATE EFFORTS BY MODERATE FEDAYEEN AND ARAB GOVERNMENTS TO BRIDGE THE GAP WITH JORDAN.

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